

# Alabama Commission on the Evaluation of Services Research Analyst Intern

Hourly Rate: \$10 – Undergrad | \$15 Graduate

The Alabama Commission on the Evaluation of Services (ACES) was formed in 2019 with the specific charge to advise the Governor and the Legislature on the evaluation of state services. The commission is a bipartisan, cross-branch agency that brings together influential policymakers and knowledge brokers from both the executive and legislative branches to examine the effectiveness and efficiency of government programs. Through evaluation and evidence-based decision-making, ACES works to maximize the value of state resources and expand innovative services, while also strengthening accountability and oversight.

## **Position Description:**

Research Analyst Intern is a position on the staff of the Alabama Commission on the Evaluation of Services. The staff of the Commission conducts analysis, performs evaluations, produces reports, and facilitates discussions among policymakers and program managers in a broad range of policy areas among state government.

# **Position Activities:**

Interns will be responsible for 1) conducting thorough research into a selective but diverse range of policy areas; 2) conducting analysis related to assigned policy areas, and 3) developing written reports and data visualizations that communicate research and analysis concisely.

## Preferred candidates should be able to:

- Perform research and writing demonstrating an ability to develop, test, and analyze a problem, issue, or topic and clearly and concisely communicate the results.
- Work independently and with team members to identify, obtain, clean, match, and prepare administrative and other secondary data for analysis.
- Contribute to an environment that encourages collaboration.

#### Skills developed or enhanced

- Verbal and written communication
- Data visualizations and tools that accomplish this (i.e., Power BI, Excel, or Tableau).
- Exposure to regional and national organizations contributing to the field of evaluation
- Relationship building
- Other professional development

## **Overall Experience**

ACES interns will have an opportunity to contribute and learn from leaders in and around state government. At the forefront of this opportunity is the real-world experience of contributing to the collection of data and information that can shape policy decisions and improve state funded services. Added value of participation includes direct work-related feedback and mentoring that will aide in your career preparation.

#### **Application**

Send resume and cover letter to intern@aces.alabama.gov